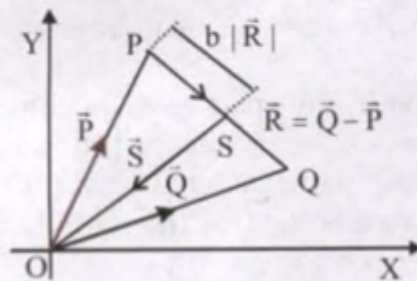


Three vectors \vec{P} , \vec{Q} and \vec{R} are shown in the figure. Let S be any point on the vector \vec{R} . The distance between the points P and S is $b|\vec{R}|$. The general relation among vectors \vec{P} , \vec{Q} and \vec{S} is [Adv. 2017]



- (a) $\vec{S} = (1-b)\vec{P} + b\vec{Q}$ (b) $\vec{S} = (b-1)\vec{P} + b\vec{Q}$
 (c) $\vec{S} = (1-b^2)\vec{P} + b\vec{Q}$ (d) $\vec{S} = (1-b)\vec{P} + b^2\vec{Q}$

(a) Here $\vec{P} + b\vec{R} = \vec{S} \Rightarrow \vec{R} = \frac{\vec{S} - \vec{P}}{b}$

Also $\vec{R} = \vec{Q} - \vec{P}$

$\therefore \frac{\vec{S} - \vec{P}}{b} = \vec{Q} - \vec{P} \Rightarrow \vec{S} - \vec{P} = b\vec{Q} - b\vec{P}$

$\therefore \vec{S} = b\vec{Q} + (1-b)\vec{P}$